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Title : Need to review the decision for privatization of Railway Coach Factory at Kapurthala, Punjab.

SHRI AVINASH RAI KHANNA (HOSHIARPUR): The Railways have only one Railway Coach Factory in Punjab at Kapurthala, which is efficient to maintain the quality and capable to compete at International level. It has executed export orders in record time. In current year upto 28.2.2006 R.C.f. has produced the 2083 GS units of coaches with manpower of 6566 persons. The target was fixed at 1000 GS unit of coaches with manpower of 10,000 persons. Punjab is proud of this unit. The Government is now planning to privatise it. The resentment prevails among the employees and public at large. The decision will be against the interest of Punjab which needs review.

I therefore, request the Government not to privatise Railway Coal Factory at Kapurthala, Punjab.